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CAMPBELL This is the continuation interview of Mr Omar

AL-BAYOUMI. The time by my watch is 1.42

pm. The same persons are still present. For

the benefit of the tape can you state your name

for me please Omar.

0.26 AL-BAYOUMI

Omar AL-BAYOUMI.

CAMPBELL

And also can you confirm that whilst the tapes were

out of the machine that we did not ask you any

questions is that correct?

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah.

0.39 CAMPBELL

Just so there's no misunderstanding I'll remind you

of the caution again. You do not have to say

anything but it may harm your defence if you do not

deposit she said it would come by mail you know.

And er... I don't know. I told someone oh whilst

over there to get the, the deposit from her, so and

er...

13.57 DEAN W

While you were in that department did you have a

land line telephone?

AL-BAYOUMI

Land load, land what?

DEAN

A telephone in your flat, in your apartment?

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah, yeah I had phone.

14.10 DEAN

Can you tell me the telephone number of that?

AL-BAYOUMI

I don't seem to remember it.

DEAN

Who was your company with?

AL-BAYOUMI

Company?

DEAN

Who was the ???

AL-BAYOUMI

Pacific Bell.

DEAN

And do you have any problems with us going

through your telephone records?

14.31

AL-BAYOUMI

No.

DEAN

Itemised bills?

AL-BAYOUMI

No. Actually I told my wife to pay everything

before she leave.

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| Omar AL-B | AYOUMI | 17 | |
| 14.43 | DEAN | Whilst I was talking, he was talking about to be a | |
| | | guarantor, you was quite specific, and do you | |
| | | understand specific means? | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah. | |
| 14.57 | DEAN | On pointing out of, he was saying guarantor and | |
| | | you said of 152. Now I just want to clarify for | |
| | | myself what Dave was saying, was asking you had | |
| | | you been a guarantor for any apartment, not just | |
| | | 152. Had you guaranteed, guarantored on any | |
| | | apartment for someone else within where you was | |
| | | living. Do you understand that question? | |
| 15.30 | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah a hundred percent. Yes I, it could happen. | |
| | | Yes. | |
| | DEAN | Right. You say it could happen. | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah. | |
| | DEAN | So can we be more precise. It has happened hasn't | |
| | | it, guaranteed. | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Hmm. | |
| | DEAN | You're not, you know there's nothing wrong with | |
| | | that. We must point that out you've done nothing | |
| | | wrong. | |
| 15.51 | AL-BAYOUMI | Okay. | |

DEAN Try and take me back, and I appreciate it's very

hard but you are an intelligent person. And first of

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all tell me at least one person you've guanatored

during your time at those apartments? And

remember you've done nothing wrong by

guarantoring them. So just try and recall a person to

start with.

16.333 AL-BAYOUMI I'm not sure. If you give me names.

DEAN Okay.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DEAN We'll try it another way.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DEAN You can remember guarantoring someone?

AL-BAYOUMI Guarantor someone?

DEAN Hmm.

16.45 AL-BAYOUMI I, I think it happened.

DEAN It's happened yeah okay.

CAMPBELL You think it happened or did it happen?

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah I think it happened.

CAMPBELL Can we be specific here on our language, it's

important. Did it happen? Did you guarantee

someone? Yes or no?

17.08 AL-BAYOUN

AL-BAYOUMI I think yes. I think yes. I think you know as I

mentioned before I'm trying to help you know.

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DEAN Okay. And we all do help friends. Now you're

saying you think yes.

AL-BAYOUMI You know it's different between friends. Sometimes

people you don't know.

DEAN And it's acquaintances.

AL-BAYOUMI (Inaudible) for.

17.27 DEAN Right. We just need to go on this point and Dave's

quite right what he's saying. It may be and it's

again no disrespect to yourself, our vocabulary

might be slightly different. But we need, you say

you think it's happened yes. Now try now and recall

when you've done it. I don't want a name at this

moment. But can you, did you meet the person you

guarantored?

18.04 AL-BAYOUMI Did I meet anyone?

DEAN Did you meet him or her?

AL-BAYOUMI I met, I met, but I don't know of meeting.

DEAN No. No. No don't worry about that. What we're

here to do is to get to the bottom of a very large

enquiry.

18.26 AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DEAN And how we're doing that we've got to question

you. We're not at the moment of accusing you of

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anything.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DEAN What we're saying and we're trying to find out

what has gone on.

AL-BAYOUMI Yes.

DEAN Okay.

18.37 AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DEAN We're investigating. So the question what I've just

ask you is can you remember someone, you're

going to say yes and then you stopped. But can you

remember the person you guarantored, a person.

Which you said yes. So can you describe him to us

or her?

AL-BAYOUMI What he looks like?

DEAN Yeah. Yeah.

19.18 AL-BAYOUMI Yeah I, yeah I remember now the guy but it's not in

my, in my (inaudible) but he's I think they came

from Mecca yeah. And you know that's why they

need I think help to get the apartment or something

like that yeah. From Mecca City in Saudi Arabia.

19.49 DEAN Yeah. Anything else, keep going.

| Omar AL-BA | AYOUMI | 10 | |
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| | AL-BAYOUMI | What he looks like ??? but I think he wasn't have | |
| | | beard. He doesn't have beard. Yeah. | |
| | DEAN | And you say them, was there two of them. Three of | |
| | | them? | |
| 20.11 | AL-BAYOUMI | The other one he, they came together. | |
| | DEAN | Two? | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Two of them. | |
| | DEAN | Right. | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah. | |
| | DEAN | And the other guy what does he look like? | |
| 20.18 | AL-BAYOUMI | The other one he has you know his teeth is, has you | |
| | | know gap in it. | |
| | DEAN | When you say a gap it must be a big gap? | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah a big gap. Or I think one of his teeth is out. | |
| | DEAN | I haven't got perfect teeth, but which tooth are you | |
| | | on about. | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | In the beginning yeah. | |
| 20.39 | DEAN | Okay. So the front. So when was this? | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Hmm? | |
| | DEAN | When did this happen? | |
| 20.50 | AL-BAYOUMI | I think this is maybe late '99 or 2000. I'm not sure | |
| | | exactly. | |
| | DEAN | Okay. | |

| Omar AL-B | AYOUMI | | |
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| | AL-BAYOUMI | Exactly I'm not sure. | |
| 21.04 | DEAN | And just reflect back to that and try and remember | |
| | * | them. Yeah just have a couple of seconds thought. | |
| | | Obviously get a picture of them. | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Hmm hmm. | |
| | DEAN | Yeah. How did you meet them? | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | How did they meet? | |
| | DEAN | How did you come across them. Was it the mosque | |
| | | or? | |
| 21.21 | AL-BAYOUMI | Ah hmm. | |
| | DEAN | Is that okay. Where did you meet them? | |
| | | | |

Were?

Where?

Osma.

Os???

Osma.

O.S.M.A.

Can you spell that please?

Is that his first name or last name?

(Inaudible) once I went to Los Angeles with Osma

American guy. Okay he's Muslim also. And

Can I just stop you there. What he's name please?

AL-BAYOUMI

AL-BAYOUMI

CAMPBELL

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AL-BAYOUMI

AL-BAYOUMI

AL-BAYOUMI

DEAN

21.41

21.48

This is er... when he became Muslim he converted AL-BAYOUMI

his name. His umm... he umm... not er... he's

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white.

CAMPBELL

Yes.

AL-BAYOUMI

You know American.

22.02 DEAN He's white American, name of OSMA.

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah his name OSMA.

CAMPBELL

And his first name?

AL-BAYOUMI

His first name was OSMA. I don't know the last

name. And I don't know his real name. I mean the

American name.

CAMPBELL

He's American.

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah. But he, he, everybody knows him.

DEAN

Okay.

CAMPBELL

In the mosque?

AL-BAYOUMI

In the mosque yeah.

CAMPBELL

And that is the mosque in San Diego the one that

before was referred to?

22.25

AL-BAYOUMI

That's right.

CAMPBELL

So continue please.

DEAN

Yeah you telling about Los Angeles.

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah.

DEAN

Carry on then.

22.30 AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah. We were in Los Angeles and we went to a restaurant to eat. And when we're there I saw some, two people talking the same language, Arabic language, and I get to them and say so where are you from. They said we are from Saudi Arabia. And, actually I forgot their names now. Anyway they er... umm... yeah, they said er... we have been here for about 24 days and we want to go to English school and we don't know how to go there. And then I said I'm in San Diego and not from the city, and we go back to now San Diego, but if you need help or something like that, just call me. I think I give them my phone number. And they went to the mosque and they er... they ask the Imam who's leader, he leads the prayer, where is Omar and they said that he's coming, he usually pray at this mosque. Yeah.

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23.53 DEAN

Okay. So they actually come down to San Diego.

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah.

DEAN

Yeah and I appreciate it's going back a little bit, and this (inaudible) the, where did you meet them in Los Angeles?

AL-BAYOUMI

In restaurant.

| Omar AL-B | AYOUMI | | | |
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| 24.13 | DEAN | Can you remember if it was the hotel restaurant? | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | No, no, no, not at all. It was a, it is close to the King | | |
| | | Fayed Mosque. | | |
| | DEAN | Okay. | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah. The, so what do you call it umm Barbecue | | |
| | | (inaudible). | | |
| | DEAN | Okay. And what had you been up there for? | | |
| 24.36 | AL-BAYOUMI | Hmm? | | |
| | DEAN | Why had you been to - I appreciate it's not | | |
| | | particularly that far is it San Diego to LA? | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Two, two hours. Two hours. | | |
| | DEAN | Yeah. What was your purpose for going up there? | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | I had purpose to for first of all to bring some books | | |
| | | to the mosque. | | |
| 24.54 | DEAN | Oh right. So returned back down there, back down | | |
| | | to San Diego? | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | No. After I get the books we went to, tried to go to | | |
| | | the King Fayez Mosque to pray there. | | |
| 2508 | DEAN | Right. | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | And I think we glanced at the time and we went to | | |
| | | eat and we met these people. | | |
| | DEAN | Right. | | |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Two of them. | | |
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| Omar AL-BA | AYOUMI | 23 |
| | DEAN | So you're saying you're sitting on a different table. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | No we was sit here at this table and I heard him, |
| | | er I heard them at this table. |
| | DEAN | And they were speaking Arabic obviously. |
| 25.29 | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah. |
| | DEAN | Okay. And what happened? How did you come |
| | | together? |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Umm how did we come together. Yeah. |
| | DEAN | Do you understand that? |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Yeah, I say you know there's somebody from |
| | | meeting of er peace be upon him or something |
| | | like that language. And er they introduced |
| | | themselves. |
| 25.58 | DEAN | Can you recall anything that said names? |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | I'm not sure exactly. I'm not sure. I'm not sure. |
| | DEAN | And then what happened? |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | MAWF, MAWF or something like that. I think. |
| | DEAN | MAWF. How would you spell that. Again if you |
| | | thought it was that pronunciation, how would you |
| | | spell it, you yourself? |
| 26.43 | AL-BAYOUMI | I think M.A. |
| | DEAN | M.A. |

AL-BAYOUMI

MAWF, no M.A.W.F. I think. MAWF. MAWF.

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| Omar AL-B | AYOUMI | 24 |
| | DEAN | Okay. So you speak to them and basically you see |
| | | that type of person as friendly. So you've spoke to |
| | | them. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | Hmm hmm. |
| 27.13 | DEAN | In saying having a nice day type of word, and that |
| | | they've come across. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | I think er after three days they came to San |
| | | Diego. |
| | DEAN | And they came down to San Diego. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | It's either three days or four days. |
| | DEAN | And - okay we'll jump on a little bit. They come |
| | | down to the mosque at Elcahon? |
| 27.31 | AL-BAYOUMI | No, not Elcahon. Central mosque, what do they call |
| | | it, Islamic Centre, San Diego. |
| | DEAN | Right. Is that downtown. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | No it's near to my house. |
| 27.41 | DEAN | Okay. |
| | AL-BAYOUMI | But Elcahon is far away. |
| | DEAN | And they went into the mosque and asked the, again |
| | | excuse my ignorance the person in charge if they |
| | | had seen you? |
| | CAMPBELL | Imam or Imir? |

AL-BAYOUMI

Imam.

| Omar | AL- | BAY | OL. | JMI |
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| | | w, | | |

DEAN Imam. They asked...

AL-BAYOUMI They asked Imam is Omar, I think it Imam, I'm not

sure but I think the Imam himself.

DEAN Okay. Right.

28.12 AL-BAYOUMI Yeah to ask him is Omar.

DEAN And do you know what, I appreciate you don't

know what he says, but do you know roughly what

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his reply was?

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah he said, yeah I know him. Because I usually

pray at the mosque five times a day.

DEAN Oh right. And then when did you meet up with

these guys. Did they come and find you type of

thing.

28.35 AL-BAYOUMI Yeah the... no I came late, at that time I came late

and I met them and they said we need to get

apartment, two of them I think, and we want to open

account or something like that.

28.50 DEAN What's an account - just like a bank account type of

thing?

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah, yeah. Account you know.

DEAN Okay.

AL-BAYOUMI Each person who came near me concern about two

things - living and open account.